State Vehicle Replacement

Bid specifications for enforcement vehicles are prepared each summer jointly between the State Vehicle Dispatcher and the Department with bids let typically at the end of August with bid responses due back around the first of October. Generally only Ford and Chevrolet bid on these vehicles because they are the only American manufacturers who build police pursuit vehicles. From these bids the state orders enforcement vehicles from that model year's production runs. These runs generally start in October and end in March or April. Once the scheduled production runs are completed the window of opportunity to purchase for that model year is over.

For 2001 model year vehicles, an order for 60 patrol vehicles was issued in October for 30 to be delivered in January and 30 in March. The window to order more vehicles ended at the end of January so there will not be an opportunity to order more 2001 model year enforcement vehicles. For the enforcement divisions other than the State patrol we order a variety of regular production vehicles, depending on their intended use. We have also purchased used vehicles from time to time for some of the non-patrol divisions. These have ranged from used patrol enforcement vehicles to vehicles such as Ford Tauruses.

Each year we swap 5 used vehicles with the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy for their use in training. ILEA's previous years vehicles are returned to our department and sold at auction with other state vehicles. All used state vehicles are sold by the State Vehicle Dispatcher to the highest bidder. The average sale price of our vehicles is around \$4,400.00, and these proceeds are returned to the vehicle depreciation fund to assist in the purchase of replacement vehicles.

Services that is used to accumulate funds for the replacement of state vehicles. Ideally this fund should have sufficient funds to replace state vehicles when they reach the optimal replacement mileage. At this time there is not sufficient monies in this fund to replace vehicles when they should be replaced. The Department needed to order 160 enforcement vehicles during the 2001 model year but only had sufficient funds to purchase 60. Attached is listing of what we have paid into the depreciation fund for the past several years and the fund balances in the depreciation fund. When the 60 vehicles ordered for 2001 are issued the balance in the depreciation fund for the State Patrol will be totally depleted.

Department of Public Safety Depreciation Paid by Division Fiscal Years 1995 through 2000

	APPR	1995			1996		1997		1998		1999		2000
Administration	R64	\$	1,103	\$	3,600	\$	2,475	\$	2,275	\$	2,400	\$	4,975
Criminal Investigation	R67	\$	50,574	\$	194,565	\$	181,765	\$	176,680	\$	207,090	\$	243,165
Narcotics Enforcement	R70	\$	29,521	\$	60,368	\$	57,860	\$	67,011	\$	73,125	\$	113,925
Fire Marshal	R72	\$	18,988	\$	53,000	\$	43,340	\$	44,280	\$	55,040	\$	54,100
Capitol Police	R73	\$	2,972	\$	2,100							\$	2,360
State Patrol	R75	\$	701,164	\$ 1	1,596,125	\$	1,153,555	\$ 1	1,230,685	\$	1,376,900	\$	1,556,186
Fire Fighter Training	R82											\$	1,470
Grand Totals		\$	804,321	\$	1,909,758	\$	1,438,995	\$ 1	1,520,931	\$	1,714,555	\$	1,976,181



